GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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RENOVATION OF WATER BODIES
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has approved a national project for repair, renovation and restoration of water bodies directly linked to agriculture;

(b) if so, the aims and objectives of the project; and

(c) the estimated cost of the project and the contribution of the Union Government and the State Governments therein?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The aims and objectives of the scheme approved in January 2005 are to restore and augment the storage capacity of the water bodies and to recover and extend their lost irrigation potential.

(c) The pilot scheme envisages a total outlay of Rs. 300 crores for the remaining period of Tenth Five Year Plan. The funding by the Union Government: State Government is in the ratio of 75:25. So, out of total outlay, Rs. 225 crores would be incurred by the Centre and Rs. 75 crores by the States.